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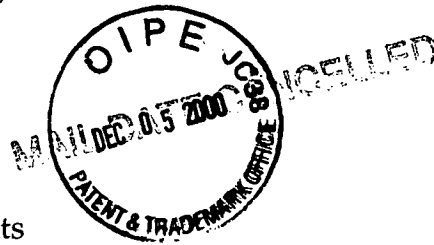
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*Election*  
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In re Appln of: Wilfried Van Moorleghe et al  
Ser No: 09/313,013  
Filed: 05/17/1999  
For: Medical Instruments and Devices and Parts Thereof Using Shape Memory Alloys

Group Art Unit: 3732  
Examiner: N. Lucchesi

Atty Dkt: MEM P82



Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



RESPONSE A

This is a response to the Office Action of October 3, 2000.

REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action of October 3, 2000.

In response to the election of species requirement, the species elected is the stent, in the event no generic claim is finally found to be allowable.

Claims 4, 5 and 25 are directed to the elected specie.

A request for a one month extension of time is being filed herewith so that this